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Customer No. 22,852

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Maurizio GALIMBERTI et al.) Group Art Unit: 1791
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Serial No.: 10/520,530) Examiner: Christopher S. Nichols
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Filed: June 2, 2008)
) Confirmation No.: 9263
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For: PROCESS AND APPARATUS)
FOR CONTINUOUSLY)
PRODUCING AN ELASTOMERIC)
COMPOSITION)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In a restriction requirement dated June 2, 2008, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between Group I, claims 47-84, drawn to a process for continuously producing an elastomeric composition and Group II, claims 85-106, drawn to an apparatus for continuously producing an elastomeric composition. Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group I, claims 47-84, drawn to a process for continuously producing an elastomeric composition.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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